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SUBJECT: USSR-SIERRA LEONE; POSSIBLE VISIT TO USSR BY STEVENS

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1. DURING DEC 7 CALL ON LYNCH-SHYLLON, PERM SEC MINISTRY EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, LYNCH-SHYLLON SAID THAT STEVENS VISIT TO USSR IS "FIRM IN PRINCIPLE" BUT THAT TIMING STILL UNSETTLED. SOVIETS HAVE OFFERED TIME IN ABOUT FEB OR MARCH 1975, BUT EXTAFF, CONCERNED AT STEVENS' AGE (69 AND QUITE APPARENTLY STILL ANNOYED AT SOVIET REBUFF TO STEVENS' REQUEST VISIT LAST JULY, HAS URGED STEVENS TO HOLD OUT FOR SUMMER DATE.

2. ACCORDING LYNCH-SHYLLON, STEVENS STILL UNDECIDED WHETHER ACCEPT EARLY 1975 TIME OR INSTRUCT EXTAFF TO TRY ARRANGE VISIT DURING PERIOD OF LESS HARSH WEATHER.

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